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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTRY REQUESTS TEXT OF AMBASSADOR
BENNETT'S PRESS CONFERENCE ON UNIDO II

1. PERUVIAN DAILY EL COMERCIO CARRIED EFE STORY DATE-
LINED UNITED NATIONS, APRIL 4, SUMMARIZING PRESS CON-
FERENCE GIVEN BY AMBASSADOR BENNETT. THE ARTICLE
STATED THAT AMBASSADOR BENNETT PROTESTED AGAINST THE
"IRASCIBLE ATTITUDE" THE UNITED STATES EXPERIENCED AT
THE UNIDO II GENERAL CONFERENCE. ARTICLE QUOTED
AMBASSADOR BENNETT AS SAYING THAT "THE UNITED STATES
DECIDED TO VOTE AGAINST THE ENTIRE DOCUMENT BECAUSE
WE WERE FIRMLY OPPOSED TO A MAJORITY OF POINTS IN THE
DECLARATION." THE ONLY POINT SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED
IN THIS CONNECTION WAS NATIONALIZATION AND EXPROPRIATION
WITHOUT ADEQUATE COMPENSATION.

2. FERNANDO GUILLEN, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL IN
CHARGE OF COMMERCIAL POLICY, HAS ASKED ECONOMIC
COUNSELOR FOR FULL TEXT OF AMBASSADOR BENNETT'S
REMARKS. GUILLEN INDICATED THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY IS
DISTURBED BY HIS COMMENTS, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT EXPLAIN
WHY. GUILLEN GRANTED THAT EFE STORY IS PROBABLY
INCOMPLETE AND SAID THAT MINISTRY THEREFORE WANTED
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FULL TEXT FOR PURPOSES OF FURTHER STUDY.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: IF AVAILABLE, WE REQUEST A TRANSCRIPT OF AMBASSADOR BENNETT'S PRESS CONFERENCE.

4. COMMENT: GUILLEN WAS A MEMBER OF PERU'S UNIDO DELEGATION AND SAT IN ON AT LEAST SOME OF THE UNIDO DRAFTING COMMITTEE'S ESSSIONS. HE SHOULD HAVE A REASONABLY GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF THE U.S. POSITION AT UNIDO AND HOW WE INTERPRET THE CONFERENCE'S RESULTS. WE ARE AT A LOSS TO EXPLAIN WHY MINISTRY APPEARS TO HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THIS NEWS REPORT.
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